

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 110 and 119 and add claim 128 as follows:

1.-109. (CANCELED)

110. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method of processing available content, comprising:

- receiving the available content using one or more tuners; and
- performing a plurality of operations on the available content received from the one or more tuners, the plurality of operations including:
 - setting a user-identified preference for criteria related to the available content, the criteria comprising tags embedded in an electronic program guide;
 - selecting at least one recorded event from the available content based on thumbnail, preview, or snippet;
 - tracking a list of previously recorded programs for duplicates when a record operation for a current recording is initiated;
 - activating the previously selected user-identified preference for criteria; and
 - selectively terminating and erasing the current recording of a program on a storage medium based on the previously selected user-identified preference for criteria and that is identified as duplicate.

111. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 110, wherein performing a plurality of operations includes selecting at least one recorded event from the available content, based on actor, actress, director, program title, key word, key phrase, tag information, synopsis, release date, critical review, related program, or sequel.

112. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 111, wherein selecting at least one recorded event is achieved by a user browsing through information related to the available content stored on at least one storage medium.

113. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 112, wherein performing a plurality of operations includes displaying characteristics of the selected program to record with a best match in the at least one storage medium for comparison by a user.

114. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 110, wherein performing a plurality of operations includes displaying a status of a program from the available content, wherein a user is currently viewing the program.

115. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 114, wherein the status includes at least one of: a current delay, a status indicator, an available record time, a storage medium capacity, and an out-of-space alert.

116. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 115, wherein the current delay allows the user to see a delay between the record operation and a live feed of the content.

117. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 110, wherein performing a plurality of operations includes permitting a user to rewind recording in an increment for playback of a portion of the available content.

118. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 110, further comprising creating a personalized database from the available content.

119. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An apparatus for processing available content, comprising:

- one or more tuners for receiving the available content; and
- a control unit for performing a plurality of operations on the available content received from the one or more tuners, wherein the plurality of operations includes:
 - setting a user-identified preference for criteria related to the available content, the criteria comprising tags embedded in an electronic program guide;
 - selecting at least one recorded event from the available content, based on thumbnail, preview, or snippet;
 - tracking a list of previously recorded programs for duplicates when a record operation for a current recording is initiated;
 - activating the previously selected user-identified preference for criteria; and
 - selectively terminating and erasing the current recording of a program on a storage medium based on the previously selected user-identified preference for criteria and that is identified as duplicate.

120. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The apparatus of claim 119, wherein performing a plurality of operations includes selecting at least one recorded event from the available content, based on actor, actress, director, program title, key word, key phrase, tag information, synopsis, release date, critical review, related program, or sequel.

121. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The apparatus of claim 120, wherein selecting at least one recorded event is achieved by a user browsing through information related to the available content stored on at least one storage medium.

122. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The apparatus of claim 121, wherein performing a plurality of operations includes displaying characteristics of the selected program to record with a best match in the at least one storage medium for comparison by a user.

123. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The apparatus of claim 119, wherein performing a plurality of operations includes displaying a status of a program from the available content, wherein a user is currently viewing the program.

124. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The apparatus of claim 123, wherein the status includes at least one of: a current delay, a status indicator, an available record time, a storage medium capacity, and an out-of-space alert.

125. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The apparatus of claim 124, wherein the current delay allows the user to see a delay between the record operation and a live feed of the content.

126. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The apparatus of claim 119, wherein performing a plurality of operations includes permitting a user to rewind recording in an increment for playback of a portion of the available content.

127. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The apparatus of claim 119, further comprising creating a personalized database from the available content.

128. (NEW) The apparatus of claim 119, wherein the duplicate is identified during recording of the current recording.